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C O N F I D E N T I A L PRETORIA 3986

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINT, SF, WA  
SUBJECT: SOUTH WEST AFRICA MP S NOT TO ATTEND PARTY CAUCUS

REF: PRETORIA 3771

1. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORT OF AUGUST 9, NATIONAL PARTY MP S AND SENATORS FROM SWA/NAMIBIA WILL NOT ATTEND THE NP CAUCUS SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 20 IN CAPE TOWN. THIS DECISION REPORTEDLY FOLLOWED A MEETING OF NATIONAL PARTY MEMBERS IN NAMIBIA WITH P.W. BOTHA, MINISTER OF DEFENSE, WHO ACCOMPANIED FOREIGN MINISTER PIK BOTHA ON WINDHOEK ON AUGUST 8.

2. COMMENT: THE DECISION REPRESENTS THE FIRST STEP BY THE NATIONAL PARTY IN SWA/NAMIBIA TO LOOSEN ITS TIES WITH THE SOUTH AFRICAN PARTY--A STEP THAT SOME NAMIBIAN NATS HAVE RESISTED. SO FAR AS WE KNOW THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT THE DEFENSE MINISTER HAS TRAVELED TO WINDHOEK SINCE THE  
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WESTERN INITIATIVE ON NAMIBIA BEGAN. HE MAY HAVE GONE PRIMARILY TO DISCUSS PARTY AFFAIRS BUT HIS PRESENCE COULD ALSO BE INTERPRETED AS A GESTURE OF REASSURANCE TO THE TURNHALLE GROUP.  
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